

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 2 as follows:

The present application is a continuation application of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/694,008, filed on October December 23, 2000, entitled "A LAPTOP LOCK," which issued on March 16, 2004 as U.S. Patent No. 6,705,133, the entire contents of which are expressly incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 28, with the following:

As should be appreciated in Fig. 9, the cable apparatus 500 is inserted into the clamp 600. An object is then inserted into the opening 600 650 so as to extend within inward past the outside diameter of the head 520 along at the first surface 522. The axial movement of the cable apparatus 500 is thus limited by the object inserted through the opening 660 650 coming into contact with the first surface 522 of the head 520 and the ledge 642 coming into contact with the second surface 524 of the head 520.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 17, with the following:

The lock body 710 further comprises a lock 750. The lock 750 includes a push button 752 located at one end of the lock 750 and a detent 754 located at the other end of the lock 750. The lock 750 is located such that the push button 752 appears from the outside of the lock body 700 and the detent 754 extends into the cylindrical body 722. The lock 700 750 is a standard locking device with a push button 752 capable of moving the detent 754.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 10 with the following:

When moving into a locked state, the lock 900 is unlocked such that the push button 902 952 is moved away from the lock body 900. Consequently, the detent 906 moves outside the cylindrical body 922 so that the cable plug 810 moves through the cylindrical body 922. The cable apparatus 810 is then moved through the cylindrical body 910 until the collar 840 comes into contact with the second opening 930 of the body 910.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 25 with the following:

Once the collar 840 comes into contact with the second diameter 930, the push button 902 952 extends into the cylindrical body 922 such that the detent 954 904 is between the head 820 and the collar 840. Once the detent 954 904 extends between the head 820 and collar 840, lock 900 locks detent 954 904 in position ~~such that the detent 954 904 prevents the cable plug 810 from moving into contact with the head 820 and collar 840.~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 25 with the following:

When moving back to the unlocked state, a locking mechanism is applied to the lock 900 such that the push button 902 952 is then moved away from the lock body 900. As the push button 902 952 moves, the detent 904 954 moves away from the cylindrical body 922. Once the detent 904 954 moves away from the cylindrical body 922, the cable apparatus thereafter able to move through the opening 920. As such, the opening 960 is open as the lock body 900 is able to move away from the outer wall of the computer.